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Summary

A dark story in which little Alice meets the “wicked” big Alice and her path is already set.

- A translation of L’Alice dans le miroir by MiaQc

Since her adventure in Wonderland, little Alice has been hearing voices that no one else can hear and seeing shadows that her family cannot see. Her sister is worried about her.

“But sister, I'm not crazy! Can't you see it? The shadow of the White Rabbit.”

“The only shadows I see are ours, dear Alice.”

The blonde girl sighs. No one understands her. One night, when Alice wakes up after having a nightmare in which the Queen of Hearts cuts off her head, she hears a voice calling her from her little mirror. Little Alice has a round mirror for brushing her hair. When the blonde girl looks in the mirror, she doesn't see her own face but the face of a woman with long brown hair.

“Who are you?” asks Alice, charmed by the woman's emerald eyes.

“I'm Alice Liddell,” replies the other Alice, and little Alice laughs softly.

“That's incredible. I'm Alice too!”

“Well, Alice, it seems we were meant to meet.”

The brown-haired Alice, whom little Alice calls “big Alice,” asks the blonde Alice to go back to bed.

“I will find you in your dreams,” said the big Alice before her face disappeared from the mirror.

Little Alice, her eyes shining with joy, goes back to bed. She dreams of a large forest bathed in sunshine but the sun disappears and night falls when big Alice arrives.

Little Alice is amazed by the beauty of big Alice but she wonders why she has red on her clothes.

“Good evening, Alice,” said the big Alice.

“Good evening to you,” replied little Alice.

“I have something to show you,” said the brown-haired Alice.

She reveals a door but the blonde Alice hesitates to open it because it is covered in red and insects. The tall Alice opens it and pushes the

little Alice inside.

“Ouch!” said the child as he fell to the ground. “Big Alice, why...?”

The blonde Alice doesn't finish her question before she screams when she sees a pile of corpses. She quickly gets up and little Alice sees what she can only describe as hell. People crucified, blood and pus everywhere, screams of pain and madness, talking animals with deformed bodies, more corpses.

“Big Alice, oh big Alice!” said little Alice in despair. “What is this horrible place?”

“My wonderland,” she said as she appeared in front of the child. The blonde Alice noticed that she had a knife in her hand. “After saving it from my inner demons and a maniac who is responsible for my family’s death, I received great power. The power to enter people’s Otherlands. I could save them from their own despair, their own madness!”

“Save them? But...”

“The best way to do that, dear little, naive Alice, is to take them and keep them inside me. For years, I have carried their pain, their fears, their madness, and now I am as mad as they are.”

“W-What?!” exclaims little Alice. She is terrified of big Alice.

“I have killed, little Alice, and I continue to kill bad people. Criminals, rapists, drug dealers. Those who do not deserve to be saved by me!”

“I've heard enough!” said the blonde Alice, crying. “This is a nightmare and I want to go home!”

“As you wish,” said the tall Alice, making a blue door appear. “But know that you will become like me, little Alice. A ‘wicked’ Alice.”

“NEVER!” yells the little blonde girl.

She opens the blue door and wakes up in her room. Little Alice feels reassured. *It's only a nightmare,* she tells herself but she's wrong. Since that night, little Alice has been haunted by big Alice. When her face does not appear in any reflective surface, the brown-haired Alice enters her dreams, tormenting her incessantly to “prepare her for her future.”

Alice's parents and sister, seeing her condition worsen as she talks about an imaginary person — the tall Alice — all the time, have her committed to an asylum. Little Alice's path is already set. She will become another big Alice. Especially since, years later, a fire burned down her house and killed her entire family, just as it did in the life of the other Alice.

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